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MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.—The Post Office will be open daily, except Sundays, from 7:30 A. M. until 6 P. M.

Sundays from 7:30 to 8:30 A. M.

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Eastern at 9 P. M.

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Letters for registration will not be received after 4 P. M.

G. W. STEBBINS, Postmaster.

CHAPMAN LODGE No. 95, A. F. & A. M. meets on the 2d Saturday of each month, at the Masonic Hall, Central St. between West 2d and 3d Streets.

CHARLES LEE, Secretary.

REMINISCENCES OF FORMER TRAVELS.

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Here we are then, on the battle ground; but to give our readers a true description of the same, the when, where, by whom and how, we will have to trace first the coming of the Texans, after the battle of Val Verde, on the 21st of February, '62.

Shot up on small allowances, of rations, the Union forces, under Gen. Canby, remained at Fort Craig until the 20th of March. Gen. Sibley with Texans under his command, had in the meanwhile occupied Albuquerque and Santa Fe, and was then marching toward Fort Union, to take it if possible, recruit and replenish his command, and if we are not mistaken, then go and join Price's army in Kansas or Missouri.

Fort Price was then garrisoned by a few companies of the 6th U. S. Inf., a troop or two of the old Rifle Regiment, now the 3d Cavalry, a battalion of New Mexico Volunteers and a battalion of Pike's-Peakers, as the Colorado Troops were called, and the command of Col. Slough, who had come by forced marches to save New Mexico from being annihilated as a northern Territory.

Almost at the same day and hour on which Gen. Canby moved away from Fort Craig, going toward Santa Fe, the troops under Slough started from Fort Union, also directing their steps toward the territorial capital. Slowly had this last column went its way through the narrow gorges of mountain passes, and the men were now

resting at the watering place of Pigeon's Ranch, the cavalry had gone on as advance guard and every thing being serene in the neighborhood men and beasts were taking it as comfortably as could be expected under the circumstances. Little dreaming that those clusters of trees and filled pine in the vicinity contained masked batteries and a few waiting only to spring, like a trap, upon his prey when least thinking of danger, but so it happened.

Hardly had the guard mounted the bluff to the rear of the Hotel, to keep a lookout over the troops here and to watch the road, when from the mouth of a dozen pieces of artillery, in the shape of grape and canister, deadly missiles were hurled into the crowd around the water tank who tried to moisten their parched lips. A spell of confusion followed; officers shouting for their men to "fall in!" soldiers running hither and thither, hunting their arms and places in the ranks, and by the time the Union forces were in their fighting trim, the Texans had also left their ambush, seeking now a face to face battle. The ground on each side was bravely contested; but after a while, when the Confederates silenced their guns and somewhat abandoned the contest the federal troops bent a hasty retreat toward Fort Union. But why did the Texans retire from the field, having the advantage of the day, some one may ask, and we will tell them for no other reason than this:

At Rock Corral, about eight miles further West, toward Santa Fe, the Texans had their baggage supply train corralled; and the advance guard of the federal troops, upon finding out that the battle was raging behind them and this train was almost unprotected, made a flank movement, to the hills, emerging below Rock Corral, and now attacked the train from the rear. The Texans knowing that they were fighting ahead, and thinking this to be the Curby army, abandoned their trust, and with the speed of almost lightning itself, on panting steeds and with sweating brow announced to the column ahead that Canby had taken the train and thinking themselves thus between two fires, abandoned the field and took to the mountains.

In this manner both parties, thinking themselves badly whipped, retired from the scene of slaughter, as quick as horses and their own legs could carry them, and only the day after did both find out their mistake; but each with different result. Col. Slough marched triumphantly back to Fort Union, and the Texans finding themselves without supplies, their train having been burned, retired to Santa Fe.

The graves of the dead in the field of Pigeon's Ranch, have been made to deliver up their contents for burial in the Cemetery at Santa Fe; but not a single corpse could be recognized or identified to show whether it belonged to Texan or Federal soldier; all bear the following inscription on their headboards: "Unknown, Removed from Pigeon's Ranch."

Thus not even a trace is left of the days of former strife; where once was then employed to take the life of his fellow creature and brother, the cattle are now grazing in peaceful attitudes, where the smoke of deadly weapons arose then and the thundering noise of musketry and cannon could be heard, the ploughman now traverses the field, encircled by needy but unfeeling trees, loaded with members of the feathered tribe, warbling joyfully and on hill and dale, instead of horses, led by blood thirsty human beings, the bleating of sheep and goats and the lowing of the milk cow, belonging to the ranch, can be heard, and we resume therefore, our march toward the capital.

The road from here on passes through one of the most picturesque landscapes of New Mexico. Here and there a little hut can be seen, where, under the shady foliage of the near hills, the frugal native is either planting a little patch of corn or herding his flock. Deep ravines, formed by freshets and mountain currents during the rainy season, are running alongside of the road, and passing around the zigzag enclosures of small farms, we come to the little town of Arroyo Hondo (Rock Corral, as the American inhabitants of the country call it), where Don Albino R. has erected a stately mansion for the travelling public.

Many of the inhabitants of the little country town, which has sprung up around this U. S. Forage Agency, have made it their start in life from the spoils of the train destroyed here as related in the beginning of this chapter, during the late rebellion.

Leaving Arroyo Hondo behind us, we ascend the hill and then leave the main road to our left, to take the shortest trail to the place of Allen Bucher's residence, awaiting thereby the climbing of the "High Hill." Those of our readers who are lovers of the picturesque and romantic, and who have a longing to visit the City of Holy Faith, may be well repaid for their trouble if they follow the highway here, up the hill. Ascending more than a thousand feet and before turning to the right near the top, let them turn around and behold the scenery. How nice! how beautiful! are the expressions which we have heard to escape from the lips of many. The little ravine, which to the right commences here, spreads itself out further down into a splendid valley. All along the little rivulet, which we left at Rock Corral, verdant fields, intersected here and there with timberlands, can be seen and following it with our eyes, we notice to our right the towering hills of Santa Fe Mountains, at the base of which are situated the famous placer diggings, and the dark peaks to the left, denote the Gallinas Mountains toward Fort Stanton; but not being capable to give to this picture such hues and colors as would give the reader even the faintest idea of the deserved grandeur, we return to our trail and push forward.

The mail station, of which Allen Bucher, Esq., is the faithful keeper, is in its turn left behind; we follow up the sandy arroyo, come to another divide, descend another more sandy ravine, which, at its base is always moist on account of the many little springs which have their source there, and passing for the next six miles over a broken country, down chasms to little mountain brooks, and up timber covered hills, we come at last in sight of Santa Fe, where we intend to lay over until our next.

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